

STATE OF VERMONT  
PUBLIC SERVICE BOARD

Docket No. 7466

Investigation into Petition filed by Vermont                     )  
Department of Public Service Re: Energy                         )  
Efficiency Utility Structure   )

Order entered: 5/8/2009

**SCHEDULING ORDER**

On January 29, 2009, the Vermont Public Service Board ("Board") issued a scheduling order in this docket providing additional time for settlement negotiations. The additional time also provided the opportunity for the Vermont Department of Public Service ("Department") to retain the services of a consultant with expertise in the area of public energy efficiency programs in order to evaluate the proposed Energy Efficiency Utility ("EEU") structure. Parties were given until April 24, 2009, to reach a settlement or to propose a schedule for the remainder of the proceedings.

On April 28, 2009, the Department filed with the Board a progress report on the settlement negotiations. The Department's filing included a draft report with its consultant's recommendations for the EEU structure. The Department proposed a draft schedule for the remainder of the proceedings that included time for the Department, with input from the parties, to develop a draft recommendation document.

On April 29, 2009, the Board held a status conference to set the schedule for the remainder of the proceedings. At the status conference parties agreed to develop a more detailed schedule to file with the Board. On May 4, 2009, parties filed the following proposed schedule which we hereby adopt.

May 29, 2009	Department files Draft Recommendation for EEU structure (including the significant outstanding issues among parties and whether and to what extent there is consensus on those issues) and Department files parties' estimate of time needed for Technical Hearings
June 12, 2009	Parties prefile direct testimony
June 26, 2009	Parties prefile rebuttal testimony
Week of August 10, 2009	Technical Hearings and determine briefing schedule

At the status conference, parties discussed whether there would be opportunity to amend the schedule after review of the Draft Recommendation filed by the Department. Any proposals for amendments to the schedule should be filed by June 5, 2009.

**SO ORDERED.**

Dated at Montpelier, Vermont this 8<sup>th</sup> day of May, 2009.

<u>s/James Volz</u>	)	
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<u>s/David C. Coen</u>	)	BOARD
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<u>s/John D. Burke</u>	)	

OFFICE OF THE CLERK

FILED: May 8, 2009

ATTEST: s/Susan M. Hudson  
Clerk of the Board

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